



HAPPY NEW YEAR

At Random

Wishing all a "Happy New Year."

Looks like a year of hard work.

Better to work for Uncle Sam than the Japs.

Hitler's "jowls" now rate front page, according to some newspapers.

Let's have more Hitler howls and fewer jowls.

We wonder if the office of state highway commissioner has lost its attractiveness.

Slippery? Well, you see 'er.

And snow in greater abundance than anyone wants.

Brrr, and the chill certainly isn't hot.

We all talk about the weather but nobody does anything about it.

Have you taken your turn as airplane spotter?

Nice and warm at the lookout station—inside.

We're doing that job for same reason that our boys are fighting in foreign lands—to save America.

Home Nursing Class

Many homes in Grayling have at least one member in them that has completed the Home Nursing course. This is a great protection to the general health of our community.

Another class, under the instruction of Mrs. Clarice McKay, have completed the course and will receive their certificates. The list includes:

Mrs. Marius Hanson.
Miss Mildred Hanson.
Mrs. Lillian Raus.
Mrs. Ruby Annis.
Mrs. Gertrude Hatfield.
Mrs. Edris Sorenson.
Mrs. Frances Edwards.
Mrs. Beulah Douglas.
Mrs. Minnie Roberts.
Mrs. Laura McLeod.
Mrs. Dorothy McLeod.

Navy Still Commissions Officers

Applicants for officer commissions or warrants in the Navy may file for appointments without clearance from their Selective Service Boards, according to Lt. Comdr. D. P. Welles, officer in charge, naval officer procurement, Book Building, Detroit.

THE NEW YEAR.

We are now facing a new year, a new year which is going to demand new courage and sacrifices from all of us. You and I and all of us are going to be called upon to do things that none of us ever thought we would. Yet we are going to do them with the same courage and determination that the pioneers of this great country of ours did from the very birth of this nation.

We who must sit, so it seems to us, idly at home, should remember that we need not be idle. There is work enough and more to keep each and every one of us busy doing our bit, however small that bit may seem to us. We do not mean only the defense jobs, though we know that there is great demand and necessity for skilled workers all over the United States at this time. We are referring instead to that big little thing called MORAL.

Each and every one of us must do our utmost to keep up the spirit of our people; the spirit of 49, the spirit of our pioneer fathers, the spirit of Valley Forge. They must never die.

So let us pledge ourselves, each and every one of us, at the beginning of this new year to resolve "That this great nation under God shall not perish from this Earth." Contributed.

Mrs. G. L. Alexander Died Tues. Morning

HAD BEEN ILL FOR SEVERAL WEEKS.

Mrs. George L. Alexander, 84, died at her home at 2:30 o'clock Wednesday morning, after several weeks of illness. For the past year she had been in more or less failing health and for the past several weeks confined to her bed. At the last she lapsed into a coma from which she did not rally. Mrs. Cluff, her faithful nurse was with her in her last hours.

Jennie E. Culver, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Culver, was born August 1st, 1857 at Mt. Clemens, Mich. On February 4th, 1878 she was united in marriage to George L. Alexander, and for the next year made their home in Roscommon where the latter began his practice in law.

The following year—1888 they moved to Grayling where Mr. Alexander continued his law practice. For over a quarter century Mr. Alexander was the legal counsel for the Michigan Central Railroad Co. and other corporations. He was a very influential attorney.

For several years Mrs. Alexander has been under the care of a private nurse who attended her faithfully and gave her every possible care and comfort.

Mrs. Alexander was a refined, cultured and well informed person. She was a charter member of Grayling Good Fellowship club, an organization formed for culture, social activities and charities and took an active part in everything that was done.

She is survived by her son James Fredrick and nephew Donald C. Culver of Saginaw, and had a wide acquaintance throughout the state. She leaves many fine memories among those who knew her best.

Funeral services will be held from the home on Tuesday, January 5th, at 2:00 p. m.

Caroled On Christmas Eve

Some 35 boys and girls sang out the carols of Christmas at St. Mary's church on Christmas Eve preceding the midnight mass, their bright, clear voices made the yuletide spirit rise in the hearts of their listeners. The children who were directed by Mr. Leo Koepfer wore short bright red capes and tams and were Sally Lou, Rose and Patsy and Bob Bishaw, Jean Lovely, Gloria, Ethel and Martha Beal, Helen, Jean Millikin, Shirley, Jacquelyn and Jack Kolka, Margaret and Dolores LaMotte, Nancy Hoelsi, Francine Miller, Jack Jean and Grace Rasmussen, Donna Perry, Sally and Bob Brady, Larry McNamara, Bruce and Terry Nielsen, Bob Jodiss, John Kasper, Jack Goss, Janet and Barbara Clough, Patricia Heric, Louise Kasper, Margaret, Charlene, Betty Underwood and Marjorie Wakeley. The closing number "Silent Night" was sung by the older girls and Jean Lovely and Sally Lou Bishaw.

Midnight Mass followed, Mr. Koepfer also directing the choir, and taking a solo part, together with Mrs. Richard Lovely, William Heric, Mrs. William Hoffman, and Mrs. Francis Gross, the latter accompanying throughout.

Rev. Fr. Francis Branigan had a fine message for his large congregation.

The Weather

With temperatures somewhat higher than they were last week the thermometer reached its low today for a temperature of 20, the high temperature for the week being 35 Monday. More snow and cold, however is expected next week.

Notice

Beginning Saturday, Dec. 12, and every Tuesday and Saturday thereafter until the 10th day of January, I will be at the town hall in Grayling for the purpose of collecting taxes.

Clare Madson,
Grayling Twp. Treas.
12-3-4.

High School Honor Roll

Scholarship—B avg. or better. Citizenship—2 avg. or better.

12th Grade.
Alma Bidvia—Citizenship—1.4
Donald Borchers—Citizenship 1.7
Betty Cantwell—Scholarship—4 B's—Citizenship—1.2
Robert Clark—Scholarship 4 A's—Citizenship—1.4
Florence Collins—Citizenship 1.5
Barbara Drescher—Citizenship 1.9
Mary Ann Failing—Scholarship 4 B's, Citizenship 1.
Audred Hanson—Scholarship, 1 A, 2 B's—Citizenship 1.1
Lynus King—Scholarship, 1 A, 3 B's, 1 C—Citizenship, 1.
Trelma King—Scholarship, 3 A's, 1 B—Citizenship 1.
Robert La Chappelle, Scholarship 4 A's, Citizenship 1.1
Ruth Lamotte, Citizenship 1.5
Denna Mae Millikin, Citizenship 1.6
Robert E. Nelson, Scholarship, 2 A's, 2 B's, 1 C.
Marguerite Selesky, Citizenship 1.9
Ross Thompson, Scholarship 1 A, 3 B's, Citizenship 1.7
William Linker, Citizenship 1.9
Virginia Vonnette, Citizenship 1.6
Florence Wolf, Citizenship 1.9

11th Grade.
Patricia Cnappel, Citizenship, 1.7
Billyann Clippert, Citizenship, 1.6
Wilma Feldhauser, Citizenship, 1.9
Helen Gould, Citizenship 1.9
Norma Johnston, Citizenship, 1.9
Doris Krage, Citizenship, 1.9
Shirley MacCauley, Citizenship, 1.4
Gloria McDaniel, Citizenship, 1.5
Jane Milnes, Scholarship, 1 A, 3 B's, 1 C, Citizenship 1.4
James Small, Citizenship, 1.7
Dorothy Smith, Citizenship, 1.2
Mildred Smith, Citizenship 2.
Ernestine Stephan, Citizenship, 1.6

Arlene Vincent, Citizenship 1.6
Alice Wakeley, Citizenship, 2.
Bessie Wakeley, Citizenship 1.5
Emma Wilson, Citizenship, 1.1

10th Grade.
Gerald Babcock, Citizenship, 2.
Barbara Borchers, Scholarship, 1 A, 3 B's, 1 C.
Micky Brady, Scholarship 1 A, 3 B's, Citizenship, 2.
Howard DeLaMater, Scholarship, 4 A's, 1 B, Citizenship, 1.6
Geraldine Golinck, Citizenship, 1.4
Mary Howell, Citizenship, 1.9
Shirley Murray, Scholarship, 1 A, 3 B's.
Faith Nolan, Scholarship, 3 A's, 1 B, Citizenship, 1.6
Trene Tahvonen, Scholarship, 3 A's, 1 B, Citizenship, 1.
Betty Wilson, Citizenship, 1.7
Marcella Wolf, Citizenship, 1.2

9th Grade.
Myra Annis, Citizenship, 1.9
Irene Anthony, Citizenship, 1.7
Dale Burns, Scholarship, 2 A's, 3 B's, Citizenship, 2.
Arthur Clough, Scholarship, 2 A's, 1 B, 1 C, Citizenship, 2.
Sarah Dutton, Citizenship, 1.7
Patricia Heric, Scholarship, 1 A, 2 B's, 1 C, Citizenship, 1.2
Louise Kasper, Citizenship, 1.7
Harry Miller, Scholarship, 1 A, 3 B's, Citizenship, 1.9
Richard K. Nelson, Scholarship, 2 A's, 3 B's.
Dwight Reava, Scholarship, 1 A, 2 B's, 1 C.
Mac Small, Citizenship, 1.5
Ilace Small, Citizenship, 1.4
Beverly Stephan, Citizenship, 2.

8th Grade.
Fred Allan, Citizenship, 2.
Sally Brady, Citizenship, 1.9
Junior Carlson, Scholarship, 1 A, 2 B's, 1 C.
Margaret Charron, Scholarship, 2 A's, 1 B, 1 C, Citizenship, 1.5
Emily Giegling, Scholarship, 2 A's, 1 B, 1 C, Citizenship, 2.
Caroline Nelson, Scholarship, 4 A's, Citizenship, 1.4
Phyllis Newell, Scholarship, 1 A, 3 B's, Citizenship, 1.7
Georgia Owens, Citizenship 1.9
Jean Rasmussen, Scholarship, 4 B's.

7th Grade.
Robert Bishaw, Scholarship, 2 A's, 2 B's, Citizenship 2.
Jane Bugby, Scholarship 3 A's, 1 B, Citizenship, 1.6
Ruth Clauson, Scholarship, 3 A's, 1 B, Citizenship 1.9
Jeannette Clough, Scholarship, 1 A, 2 B's, 1 C.
Wanda Loroh, Scholarship, 4

A's, Citizenship, 1.4.
Eleanor Edmonds, Scholarship, 3 A's, 1 B, Citizenship, 1.7.
Leonard Ellis, Citizenship, 2.
John Hanna, Citizenship, 1.7.
Beverly McCauley, Citizenship, 2.
Anita Melichar, Scholarship, 1 A, 3 B's, Citizenship 1.2.
Barbara Schmidt, Citizenship, 1.9.
Onelle Smith, Citizenship, 1.1.
Lucille Wakeley, Citizenship, 1.6.
Lois Worden, Citizenship, 1.6.

South Side School Notes.

Honor Roll
Grade 1.
Ronald SanCartier.
John Schofield.
Jack Smith.
Nancy Sorenson.
Luella Thompson.
Grade 2.
Elizabeth Cook.
Shirley Gildner.
Not absent or tardy—Grade 1.
Jeanette Cook.
Roy LaMotte.
Donna MacCauley.
Ronald SanCartier.
John Schofield.
Nancy Sorenson.
Luella Thompson.
Grade 2.
Beverly Barber.
Elizabeth Cook.
Grade 3—Not absent or tardy:
Gerald LaMotte.
Burton Boyer.
Grade 4—Honor Roll:
Wilfred Laurant.
Not absent or tardy:
Calvin Schreiber.
Wm. Robarge.
Loretta Robarge.

Compensation Com. Changing Hours

Beginning Jan. 5 the representative of the Mich. Unemployment Compensation Commission and the United States Employment Service will be at the Courthouse from 1:30 to 3:00 p. m. the first and third Wednesday of every month instead of every Wednesday.

Kiwanis Club Notes

Christmas was celebrated at the meeting last week Wednesday when each member brought a youngster to the luncheon, and each of the little guests received a gift. Christmas songs were sung with the little guests joining in. It was a happy occasion for members and youngsters.

The meeting Wednesday saw the closing of the administration of Harley Russell as president and the beginning of the reign of the new president for 1943—Rev. H. W. Kuhlman. Tiny has done a good job as president and we are sure the members have enjoyed working with him. And we are sure an eventful year is ahead for Henry. But he can't do it all, let's back him up by our attendance and by our cooperation.

Max Laage was proud to introduce the speaker Wednesday—his attractive daughter Miss Arlene. She discussed the question "after the war what?" This had been the debating question among the colleges this year and Miss Arlene represented the negative side of the subject for the Central State College of Education at Mt. Pleasant. Following her talk she replied to questions asked by members of the club. Miss Arlene is a pleasing speaker and her talk to the club was much enjoyed.

TAXES ARE NOW DUE

Taxes are now due and payable. For the convenience of tax payers in Beaver Creek Township I will be at my office in my home at any time of day or evening.

CLARENCE SMALL,
Treasurer Beaver Creek Township.
12-10-4.

THE WINNAH!
Kid News
Ads' Kos
Bum Biz
ADS

Will John Barleycorn Survive World War II

Here is a controversial question for 1943 when, according to all business forecasts, the war is going to hit us right in the face and non-essentials will be given a crucial test of survival.

Michigan's situation might be summed up about as follows: Industrial payrolls are soaring. Sneives or stores are being depleted of goods. More liquor, wine and beer are being sold today than in many a moon. The temperance forces are getting active. Liquor dealers are worried. The state government is tightening its controls.

The Temperance Foundation of Michigan, an organization which succeeded to the name of the Anti-Saloon League, aspires to the eventual return of prohibition through legislative action and an educational program in the schools and churches. Many of its loyal members headed by State Senator Earl Burdick of Law, believe the time is getting opportune for a favorable action.

The alcoholic beverage industry—the firms which make and sell the stuff that causes as much as one-third of the trouble in the state of public opinion should the house of liquor emanate the voice.

And then, contrasted to the Michigan war days in 1916, the state government at Lansing is conducting a rather intricate drive to control the liquor business through an appointive three-man commission. The state activity in 1943 may become one of the deciding factors.

The pre-war saloon, a popular target for vivid sermons and in-variant wives, has been followed by the modern tavern where men and women alike imbibe together while the juke box will grind out recorded jazz and sentimental lyrics.

Whether the average tavern is any better or worse than the old saloon is for you to decide, and we surmise that the verdict will not be unanimous.

A new factor in today's war-time situation is the role of government, acting in behalf of the people, to curtail abuses and to synop some of the profits into the public treasury. For all we know, profits from the sale of rum may have been used to enable your home-town library to buy books of literary merit. State aid to libraries comes from the general fund. And the general fund in 1942 received more than \$20,000,000 from the state's profit in the liquor business.

Over at Perry, a country town in Shiawassee county, three tavern operators recently advertised in the local newspaper urging customers to drink less and buy war bonds instead. These advertisements were suggested by the State Liquor Control commission, so we find in its 1942 annual report just issued.

Among the war controls exercised by the commission were these:

"Encouraged preparations of pamphlets and posters urging war workers not to drink during their noon hour.

"Carried on a highway safety program to reduce the loss of manpower and automobiles critically needed in the war effort."

Tavern operators are urged by the state to promote the sale of war bonds and stamps.

The commission also "cooperated with army officers, and Federal Security agency and the state department of health in a venereal disease control program." Licenses are requested to refuse admission to questionable women and are warned that their license to sell liquor may be revoked "where it is found that contraction of a disease followed an acquaintance made in a tavern."

In one mid-western city the licenses of 18 bars were revoked because health authorities traced the source of disease to girls "picked up" at bars.

Selling of beer to minors is a violation of the Michigan state law.

In Lansing, a war boom spot, a dozen or so taverns have been closed for disciplinary periods by the state because operators sold beer to minors.

Last week two taverns near East Lansing, home of Michigan

Notes for the Housewife's Manual

Grandma used to have a "piece bag" in which she kept scraps of material for patches and mending. Maybe you'd better follow her example. One use—you can add a few inches of material to those snorter shirt tails that your husband proprio will not like very well. The curtailed shirt tails will save a lot of cloth—they'll be from two to three inches shorter than formerly. Pieces from worn out shirts and blouses will supply the material for making them longer.

It isn't easy to get labor or materials for repairs and improvements around the home today—but there are lots of ways of making present equipment do without using vital materials or looking for expert help. For example—if you're trying to observe fuel saving recommendations—and wish that you'd put in storm windows last year—you can save heat by covering the insides of the windows with treated paper sheets, which prevent heat from escaping by creating a dead air space between the window glass and the shield. Some stores have these prepared paper shields all ready to install—if you're ingenious you can make and attach your own.

Are there any chiselers in the house? We thought not—but if the bright idea should occur to you that you might get some extra coffee from the man at the restaurant where you've been eating—don't try it. Restaurants are rationed too—if the man is caught selling any coffee—except in cups at the counter or tables—there's a severe penalty attached.

Present day stockings are adequate but not very thrilling. Glamour and gun factories just don't go together. But cheer up—wait until you see what our American chemists are getting ready for the great day—a new synthetic textile filament finer than anything yet known except spider's web—20,000 miles of thread weigh only one pound. It isn't stockings yet, but it will be. Meantime if you have any silk or nylon stockings no longer fit to wear, you know what to do with them. That's right—the nearest salvage station.

Will control of this type save John Barleycorn from another incarceration?

Are we going back over the old road to blind pigs and speak-easies and gangster bootlegging profits, those byproducts of the old national prohibition?

Right or wrong, the State of Michigan is today in the liquor business. It is wielding controls over profit and sale.

Because of this responsibility, the state's success or failure to cope with war-time problems is bound to influence the answer to the above questions.

As war conditions grow critical, government may impose drastic controls: Rationing of liquors; limitation of hours of sale. The alternative, as we see it, is a return to prohibition. Which would you rather have?—Michigan Mirror.

Betrothal Announced

At a very lovely family dinner Christmas Eve, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hutchins announced the engagement of their daughter, Dorothy Joyce, to Pvt. Ernest R. Klingbeil of Hancock, Mich. The groom-elect is now stationed at Fort Sheridan, Ill.

Write Senator Carpenter and Representative Wm. Green to vote for repeal of Eastern War time for Michigan. Central war time will place us in tune with Illinois, Indiana and other states of this longitudinal area.

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Announce Engagement

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hodge of Royal Oak, formerly of Maple Forest township, wishes to announce the engagement of their daughter Carol June to Caro F. Jester of Detroit. The wedding will take place Jan. 2nd in the First Baptist Church of Detroit. Miss Hodge graduated from the Frederic High school in the class of 1940.

Happy New Year

We desire to express to you the

COMPLIMENTS
of the Season

And express our

Sincere Wishes
for your Prosperity the Coming
Year

With a continuance of the
cordial relations existing
between us

Hanson Cafe

Frank Bennett, Proprietor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year\$1.75
Six Months90
Three Months45
Outside of Crawford County
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**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31,
OGEMAW HILLS
WERE TOUGH.**

Returning to Grayling early Sunday afternoon from Saginaw highways were wet but in no sense disturbing until we reached Ogemaw hills north of West Branch. While stopping for lunch at the latter place we were cautioned that those hills were slippery and dangerous. It seemed incredible, however, we found the hills covered with slush snow and certainly driving was difficult even at very slow speed.

In Roscommon county the highways were better and when we reached Crawford county we had cleaned off the snow and the highways had been sanded. It was relieving to be able to drive along without having to be watching every turn of the wheels.

On those so called Ogemaw Hills, it did not look as though there had been any work on those highways that day. Certainly scraping and sanding would have greatly improved them. We hear little complaint about the state highways in Crawford and Roscommon counties, but we do hear a lot of complaint about the slippery conditions of the hills north of West Branch.

Buy War Stamps and Bonds

Are you buying all you can? Uncle Sam is asking you that question today. Check up and see if you have bought your share. This is not a job for a few to do, but everybody to his share. The government must have money to win this war and we all have to dig in so this country can make its quota. Be sure to buy your Stamps and Bonds from the stores and bank.

Crawford County Retail
Committee.

Grange Notes

This year the Grange decided to have a membership drive for funds for their Christmas instead and a neat sum was turned over to the committee, and best of all a nice payment was made on the mortgage. A few more of which will leave the hall free from debt. The committee wants to thank all those who so generously helped. The new officers all took their chairs at this meeting. The next meeting will be Saturday, Jan. 2.

STATE OF MICHIGAN

The Probate Court for the County of Crawford.

At a session of said court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Grayling in said county, on the 30th day of December, A. D. 1942.

Present: Hon. Charles E. Moore, Judge of Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of John E. Alexander, Deceased.

John E. Alexander, having filed his petition, praying that an instrument filed in said Court be admitted to Probate as the last will and testament of said deceased and that administration of said estate be granted to Wilhelm Rase or some suitable person.

It is Ordered, That said 8th day of February, A. D. 1942 at nine A. M., at said Probate Office is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

If is Further Ordered, That public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy hereof, once each week, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing in the Crawford Avalanche, a newspaper printed and circulated in said County.

Charles E. Moore, Judge of Probate.

Interesting Events In Grayling 23 Years Ago

INTERESTING ITEMS OF NEWS GATHERED FROM THE
FILES OF THE AVALANCHE OF 23 YEARS AGO

Jan. 1, 1920.

A. L. Foster came down from Newberry to spend the holidays with his family.

Ross Sparks of Detroit was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Smith over Christmas.

Misses Ruby Olson and Lucille McPhee returned Sunday from Bay City after a short stay.

Miss Kathryn Clark went to Bay City Friday to be the guest of Miss Jennie Lankey until school starts.

Miss Gladys Grant of Bay City is a guest of Miss Lucille Hanson.

Mrs. M. Otterbein is visiting her parental home at Vestaburg during the vacation.

A boy was born to gladden the New Year to Mr. and Mrs. Ben Yoder at 3:00 a. m. this Thursday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Douglas of Saginaw were guests of Mrs. Ellen Failing and other relatives over Christmas.

Mrs. George McPeak and little son and Mrs. Erving Hodge and baby returned Sunday from Bay City.

Mr. and Mrs. James Cariveau and children returned Sunday to their home in Jackson after spending a few days at the home of Mrs. Cariveau's parents Mr. and Mrs. John Charlefour.

Emil Giegling returned Sunday a. m. from Manistee after spending Christmas with his parents.

Wm. H. Cody has opened a new blacksmith shop in the John Benson garage.

Dr. S. N. Insley is still confined to his home and is in a serious condition. It is reported he is failing very rapidly.

Miss Gladys Everett, accompanied by Mr. Claude Carver of Detroit, spent Christmas visiting her mother, Mrs. Rhoda Everett.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Malenfant and daughter Miss Beatrice of Choboygan and Irene and Louis Johnston of Bay City were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Heagan over Christmas.

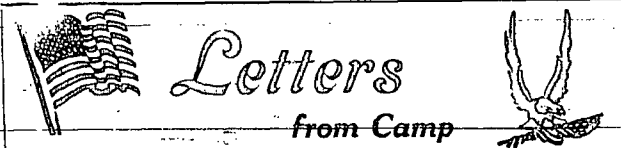
Miss Helen Schumann was injured while coasting on Fischer's hill, Wednesday afternoon, necessitating a couple of stitches in one eye lid.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Roblin entertained Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Randall of Bay City over Christmas. The two ladies are sisters.

Mrs. Alfred Hughes and children are spending the holidays with relatives in Bay City and Flint.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Palmer were made happy this morning by the arrival of Mrs. Addie Patterson of Pittsford, Mich. Mrs. Patterson visits the Palmer house every winter.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Peter L. Brown was the scene of a simple wedding Christmas evening, when their oldest daughter, Miss Edna Caroline was united in marriage to Mr. Burt J. Schulz of Saginaw. Rev. C. E. Doty officiated at the ceremony.



Dec. 25, 1942.

Dear Mr. Schumann:
Just a few lines to you today. It's Christmas day, here at Fort Benning, Georgia. I've just finished dinner. We had everything from turkey, way down to the fruit. Now we are trying to recuperate from it. Doing a little sleeping like the rest. "Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year," to you and all the friends back home.

Sincerely yours,
Pvt. Carl L. Miller (A. S. N. 36408402), 423rd Armd. P. A. Bn., Btry. B. A. P. O. 260, Fort Benning, Ga., U. S. Army.

Modesto, Calif.
Hammond Hospital.

Nov. 24, 1942.

Dear Editor:

Tenite I am C. Q. on my desk. Before me are two papers, one a big metropolitan daily and the Crawford Avalanche.

The big daily I pick up and read about the damage our forces are doing to the axis and when I pick up the Avalanche I am personally informed of the boys who are actually doing the job.

If the rest of the boys are getting their paper as regular as I in the different parts of the world the big daily seems but a shadow to the real.

It's hard to realize how much color, sorrow and grief is intermingled in a place of this kind until you stand C. Q.

At six o'clock p. m. you wander through some 3 1/2 miles of ramps to throw 4 of a number of main light switches that light the switch thrown and you notice the high red cross painted on the recreation hall flicker into the sky.

This routine completed, you wander back to the detachment office, on your way there are a number of patients going about, and as you pass a group, you light a cigarette for a wounded soldier.

I am seated now in the office, and the phone rings and from the other end of the wire a feminine voice frantically asks assistance to settle a dispute in a nearby ward. I arrive, hustle the patient to bed mid pandemonium and violent threats, order is restored and I am cordially thanked by the nurse and sent off with a smile that made tooth paste history.

On arriving back I find a few jotted telephone numbers to call, left by the O. D. thinking that the General and his staff must be in town. I try one of several numbers. Some private's wife, I make out is on the wire. She has to see him immediately, and it suddenly occurs to me the lady is sobbing. My brain whirled as she pleads desperately for me to locate him. I ask her to hold the line while I quickly scan 700 names. Now I'm in barracks ten, nine, eight. I ask soldiers who look at me stupidly. I search the spit bar and arrive back to look the pass list over; everything fails, so I pick up the disinfectant receiver to be greeted with laughter, mingled with tinkling and soft means of a joke

box. I realize she is calling from Henry's bar. It's the only place they have such a record in town. I say "hello," to be greeted with "Honey, where you been?" I realize the wife's sobbing is only hicoughs. She's short on beer money. I yell loudly I'm not the object of her affections and before the receiver hits home I get a broadside of Chinese punctuated with a clik.

The rest of the numbers prove more serious, and the last order is jotted down the phone rings again and a feminine voice informs me it is 9 o'clock, time to put out barracks lights. I start my tour of duty, here and there in each barracks are small groups of men playing cards. Now I'm stopped, as they place a few moments of light to complete a heart flush. I press the button to hear throttled curses of those caught unprepared and as I gaze over my shoulder I see the flicker of matches and the silhouettes of men as they magically turn the matches into coin.

Back again and the phone looks at you like a beat puppy, and for the next few hours I lose myself in the experience of a less fortunate soldier. Now and then you are interrupted by a soldier handing in his pass and as the zero hour approaches, the desk is literally covered with them and a gentle reminder on the phone informs you it's 11 o'clock. I check the pass list and find 7 men unaccounted for.

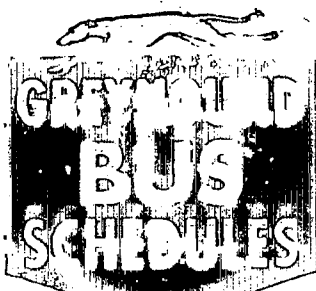
Several minutes pass. I scribble a name, to be aroused by a faltering foot step, the heavy thuds get near, there is a slight shuffle and I pier into the darkness and I see a soldier supporting himself with a cigarette and combing his brain for words.

He has a dead man look as he fumbles for his pass and balances himself in thin air as he offers a torn package of smokes. He catches a twinkle in your eye, and gives his name and fortifies it with pleasant words of a town in Ohio. There is silence and he looks gloomily in the general direction of the guard house. I take his pass and he is reassured when I tell him goodnight. His step quickens as he disappears into the darkness. I notice his pass is from the 7th for overseas duty soon.

I am relieved by the O. D. and bum a cup of hot coffee from the night orderly.

The night lingers on the sudden calm makes me drowsy. I smoke a cigarette and am reminded its 3 a. m. Western Union calls information and I must look up a Private Woods. He is a new man and one of many that a bunk number has not been assigned. I wander through the new mens barracks and awake every fifth man. They are startled by the red glow of my penlight and some mutter connected with their dreams. Soon I get a clue and Woods is found I take this message, "Wife to be operated on at St. Mary's hospital." Act accordingly. The O. D. contacted and the soldier is on his way.

At six o'clock I wake the men and at 7:30 I report to the X-ray

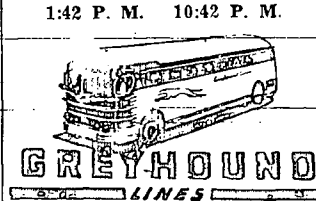


NORTHBOUND

Leaving:
6:24 A. M. 3:57 P. M.

SOUTHBOUND

Leaving:
1:42 P. M. 10:42 P. M.



department for duty. Soon there will be some ten men to train. I now have 9 men technicians and one civilian girl. I am chief technician of my department and before the end of the month we expect to run 100 cases a day. We all feel we are doing our part and later we know we will do a greater part. But first we must train 10 men sufficiently to take our places.

So the joke goes. It was a perilous journey across the ocean. The Chaplain turned to the rookie and said, "Thank God we made it." We just dropped anchor off Australia, and the rookie cupped his mouth and replied, "I knew I should of told you sir, the dam thing has been hanging out ever since we left San Francisco."

Sincerely,
Sgt. Farrell Gorman,
Hammond Hospital.

Nov. 18, 1942.
Marine Corps Unit 1065,
care of Postmaster,
San Francisco, Calif.

Dear Mr. Schumann:

This is my first chance to write since I left the States, as I was transferred overseas some time ago.

I left San Diego, and the trip across the ocean was swell, except of course, a little crowded, but we didn't mind.

First we landed at a base where we remained for two weeks and then we again boarded ship for our present locality, and we are at the present time setting up our camp.

I cannot write my present location as you probably know, but we sure have lots of coconuts.

STATE OF MICHIGAN

The Probate Court for the County of Crawford.

At a session of said court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Grayling in said county, on the 21st day of December, A. D. 1942.

Present: Hon. Charles E. Moore, Judge of Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of Amos W. Hunter, Deceased.

George A. Granger having filed in said court his petition praying that the time for the presentation of claims against said estate be limited and that a time and place be appointed to receive, examine and adjust all claims and demands against said deceased by and before said court.

It is Ordered, That 2 months from this date be allowed for creditors to present claims against said estate.

It is Further Ordered, That the 8th day of March 1943, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for the examination and adjustment of all claims and demands against said deceased.

Charles E. Moore, Judge of Probate.

12-24-4.

STATE OF MICHIGAN

The Probate Court for the County of Crawford.

At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Grayling in said County, on the 12th day of December 1942.

Present, Honorable Charles E. Moore, Judge of Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of Anna Bennett, Deceased.

Ronhow Hanson having filed in said Court his final administration account, and his petition praying for the allowance thereof and for the assignment and distribution of the residue of said estate.

It is Ordered, That said 11th day of January A. D. 1943, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Office, be and is hereby appointed for examining and allowing said account and hearing said petition.

It is Further Ordered, That public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Crawford Avalanche, a newspaper printed and circulated in said County.

Charles E. Moore, Judge of Probate.

A true copy.
Charles E. Moore, Judge of Probate.

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FOR RENT—Furnished house. Inquire at Callahan Gas Station. 12-17-2.

BUCK SHEEP strayed to my home near Ausable river bridge on M-93, half mile from town. Owner may have same by identification and by paying costs. Henry Borchers. 12-16-3.

nut trees here.
I sure wish some of my friends at home would write sometime. Sincerely,
Bill Kraus.

STATE OF MICHIGAN.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF CRAWFORD IN CHANCERY.

Earl F. Case, Administrator with the will annexed of the Estate of William Corning, Deceased, Earl F. Case, Administrator with the Will annexed of the Estate of Anna Corning, Deceased, North Michigan Land and Oil Corporation, a Michigan corporation, Edwin J. Rich, Charlotte S. Martin, Ida Oxtoby and Janet R. Aiken, vs. Wellington Batterson and Nancy Batterson, his wife, or their unknown heirs, devisees, legatees and assigns, Defendants.

No. 167.

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

At a session of said Court held at the Court House in the City of Grayling, in said county, on the 10th day of December, 1942.

PRESENT: Hon. John C. Shaffer, Circuit Judge.

On reading and filing the bill of complaint in said cause and the affidavit of Edward F. Janis attached thereto, from which it satisfactorily appears to the Court that the defendants above named, or their unknown heirs, devisees, legatees and assigns, are proper and necessary parties defendant in the above entitled cause, and

It further appearing that after diligent search and inquiry it cannot be ascertained, and it is not known whether or not said defendants are living or dead, or where any of them may reside if living and, if dead, whether they have personal representatives or heirs living or where they or some of them may reside, and further that the present whereabouts of said defendants are unknown, and that the names of the persons who are included therein without being named, but who are embraced therein under the title of unknown heirs, devisees, legatees and assigns, cannot be ascertained after diligent search and inquiry.

On motion of Edward F. Janis, attorney for plaintiffs,

IT IS ORDERED that said defendants and their unknown heirs, devisees, legatees and assigns, cause their appearance to be entered in this cause within three months from the date of this order, and in default thereof that said bill of complaint be taken as confessed by the said defendants, their unknown heirs, devisees, legatees and assigns.

It is further ordered that within twenty days plaintiffs cause a copy of this order to be published in the Crawford Avalanche, a newspaper printed, published and circulated in said county, such publication to be continued therein once each week for six weeks in succession.

John C. Shaffer, Circuit Judge.

Countersigned:
Bessie Peterson,
Clerk of Circuit Court.

TAKE NOTICE that this suit, in which the foregoing order was duly made, involves and is brought to quiet title to the following described piece or parcel of land situate and being in the County of Crawford and State of Michigan, described as follows, to-wit:

The Southeast Quarter (SE 1/4) of Section Twenty-two (22), Town Twenty-five (25), North, Range Four (4) West.

Edward F. Janis, (signed) Attorney for Plaintiffs. Business address, Grayling, Michigan.

12-17-4. 12-17-6.

ROASTING CHICKENS ready to cook, and fresh eggs. Deliveries Friday. Call phone 4168. Tom Wakeley. 12-24-4.

FOR RENT—3 room apartment. Partly furnished if desired, or unfurnished. With garage. Inquire of Sam Rasmussen. Phone 4831.

FURNISHED HOME—Responsible party with A-1 references. Would like to rent furnished home or apartment in or near Grayling during winter months or longer if available. No small children. Inquire at Avalanche. 12-10-4.

I will be in Gaylord, Friday and Friday evening, Jan. 15th, 1943. Offices over Guggisberg's store, 9 a. m. to 8 p. m. Eyes examined and glasses prescribed. Call phone 149 M. Gaylord, for appointment. Dr. Kenneth W. Tinker, Optometrist, Traverse City, Michigan.

Cricket and Man
It is said only two living creatures ever build a permanent home—man and field crickets.

STATE OF MICHIGAN.

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No. 169.

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

At a session of said Court held at the Court House in the City of Grayling, in said county, on the 10th day of December, 1942.

PRESENT: Hon. John C. Shaffer, Circuit Judge.

On reading and filing the bill of complaint in said cause and the affidavit of Edward F. Janis attached thereto, from which it satisfactorily appears to the Court that the defendants above named, or their unknown heirs, devisees, legatees and assigns, are proper and necessary parties defendant in the above entitled cause, and

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John C. Shaffer, Circuit Judge.

Countersigned:
Bessie Peterson,
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Edward F. Janis, (signed) Attorney for Plaintiffs. Business address, Grayling, Michigan.

12-17-4. 12-17-6.

MYSTERY SEALED-IN ROOM 1046.

How police might have paraded an old adage with "Two many CLUES spoil the broth," on a certain morning when the curtain rose on one of the strangest murder mysteries in the annals of American crimes, is told in a thrilling story from real life—by Theodore Roscoe in The American Weekly with this Sunday's (January 3) issue of The Detroit Sunday Times.

Adult Pelican Emits No Sound
Full grown pelicans cannot make a sound. They are noisy when young but as they get older lose their vocal powers.

STATE OF MICHIGAN.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF CRAWFORD IN CHANCERY.

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No. 168.

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PRESENT: Hon. John C. Shaffer, Circuit Judge.

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News Briefs

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31.

Mrs. Forest D. Barber spent the first of the week visiting in Saginaw.

Mrs. B. J. Callahan and son William spent Saturday and Sunday in Bay City.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Warner visited with their daughter, Mrs. Clinton Bancroft and family last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Mayotte of Detroit spent the latter part of the week in Grayling visiting friends.

Mrs. Thomas Manion, in charge of the dining room at Zauel's is ill with pneumonia at Mercy Hospital.

Miss Grace Markby is spending a couple of weeks visiting her sister Mrs. Harold Jehn at Estill Springs, Tenn.

Miss Beverly Schaeble of Lansing was a guest of her parents Mr. and Mrs. George Schaeble from Wednesday to Sunday.

Mrs. H. G. Shaw who has been ill at the home of Mrs. Joseph McLeod the past ten days is able to be up and around again.

Miss Katherine Charron of Saginaw came home to spend Christmas with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Albert Charron.

Mrs. Wilhard Harwood and children of Saginaw are New Year's guests of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Dolph Sancier.

Miss Patricia McKenna returned Sunday to Detroit after spending the Christmas holiday with Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Johnson.

Corp. Clarence Galloway of Camp Adair, Corvallis, Ore. spent the holidays here with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Galloway.

James Miller, Esbern Olson Jr. and Thomas Stancil of Detroit drove up Thursday evening and spent Christmas with their respective families.

We got mixed up on our Santa Claus. It is "Bill" who was the City Santa Claus this year. Anyway he made a dandy and so did "Bob."

Pvt. Harry Canfield, Camp Walton, Tex. is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Canfield. He is recuperating from an operation.

Pvt. Esmond Houghton visited his mother Mrs. Blanche Houghton over Christmas. Esmond is attending the University of Kentucky at Lexington, Ky.

You may be next—get your house insured. Palmer Fire Insurance Agency, The oldest insurance agency in Crawford County. Avalanche Bldg., Phone 3111.

Wishing our
Friends and Patrons
a Bright and Happy
NEW YEARA. E.
HENDRICKSON
Tailor

Floyd McClain of Detroit was home over Christmas visiting his family.

Mrs. Ida St. John spent the holiday season in Detroit visiting with her son Rex.

Little Larry Kessler of Gaylord is visiting his grandparents. He will return home Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Cooper visited relatives in Lansing and Saginaw over the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bond and three children are spending the Christmas holidays at Olivet.

Mrs. Marion Bursch of Traverse City was a guest at the home of A. J. Joseph over Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Leland Marshall and son Curtis of Bay City visited over Christmas with their parents here.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Catlin of Toledo were guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ziebell over Christmas.

William Lowe who has been employed in Cheboygan came home for Christmas and to remain until he is called to the army.

Miss Eunice Schreiber, who teaches in Muskegon Heights is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Schreiber during the holiday vacation.

Miss Caroline Welch spent Christmas with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Edward Welch and brought home as her guest William Middleton.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley LaGrow and three children of Detroit returned home with the Arnold Burrows and are their guests for over New Year's.

Miss Margaret Cassidy of Lansing came here to be with her mother Mrs. Thomas Cassidy and sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Trudgeon.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Roberts returned from Ann Arbor Wednesday of last week where the latter had been consulting specialists concerning her health.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Roberts left Sunday to spend some time in Saginaw. Their daughter Miss Patricia also returned to Sparrow Hospital, Lansing Sunday.

M. N. Button, heating engineer. Repairs for all makes furnaces, boilers and stoves. Complete repair and cleaning service. Address, Grayling, Star R. 1.

Mrs. Marie Jensen, who is a patient at Mercy Hospital, where she is receiving medical treatment is getting along nicely. She was pleased to attend church services at Grayling Lutheran church Thursday afternoon.

Christmas day the sisters of Wilber Swanson received word that he is well, and that he has been transferred to Africa. As they had had no word from him for some three months this was a most welcome Christmas present.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Sorenson are making their home in Lansing where the former is employed in the Nash plant. Their son William, who joined the U. S. Marines the forepart of December, is located in San Diego, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. Waldemar Hanson and sons of Saginaw were Christmas guests of their parents Mr. and Mrs. Edward Welch and Mrs. Marie Hanson. And over Sunday the Holger Hanson family of Saginaw visited Mrs. Marie Hanson.

Mrs. Peter Robertson is spending a couple of weeks in Saginaw visiting her daughter Mrs. Arthur Anderson and family. Mr. and Mrs. Russell Robertson and Clarence Robertson accompanied her spending Christmas with the Andersons.

Barbara Borchers, Nell Welsh, Jane Milnes, Mildred Smith, Patricia Chappell and Billyann Clippert left Monday on a house party at one of the Stephan cabins on the AuSable. It was a gay looking bunch that started out loaded with skis, snow togs and plenty of food. They expect to remain for three days.

The Grayling Lutheran church held their annual Christmas party at Danebod hall Sunday evening, and although the weather was very inclement many braved the storm to attend. The Sunday school gave a very nice program; there were gifts and socks of candy for the kiddies and as there are almost as many grown-ups attend as children, the Danish favorite cup of coffee was enjoyed.

Mrs. William LaGrow was hostess to the members of the "Just Us" club at their annual Christmas party Wednesday evening at her home. There was the Christmas tree from which gifts were exchanged. Table decorations in Christmas greens and reds with lighted tapers made the party a very festive affair. Tuesday evening Mrs. Charles Mosher entertained the club and Mrs. Wesley LaGrow of Detroit was an out of town guest.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Cady of Athol, Idaho arrived in Grayling on Dec. 23rd for a two weeks visit and to meet their family here for Christmas. Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Moore of Pontiac, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Cady of Ypsilanti, E. J. Cady of Roscommon and Miss Irene Donathan of Munising came to Grayling for Christmas, and together with Mr. and Mrs. Cady and Mrs. Marjorie Dorch enjoyed their Christmas dinner at Shoppenagons Inn.

Prepare Now for
V-I-C-T-O-R-Y
AFTER VICTORY

The problem of changing from war work, after World War I, to peacetime production, plunged us into a long and grim depression.

Rural America felt this depression five years ahead of industry and business. We tried to warn labor and capital but they would not believe the warning and insisted the rainbow and the pot of gold at the end would last forever.

Finally, the bubble broke and the storm came. We had 12 million unemployed, the domestic market for farm production was gone, and even the smaller export market survived only when we loaned Europe the money to buy our products. Farm income was reduced, mortgages increased and many farmers lost their farms while industry, big and little, was at its wits' end to survive.

To Prevent a Worse Depression.

Our problem is to prevent even a worse depression at the end of this war. Every industry, big and little, has been retooled to produce airplanes, tanks, cannon and weapons of war. Millions and millions of dollars have been spent for this purpose.

When this war is ended it will take the same millions of dollars to turn these industries back to peacetime production.

Lessons of World War I.

We learned after World War I that our country cannot prosper unless agriculture prospers. We know now that our country cannot prosper unless agriculture, business and industry, and labor are all prosperous. Whatever our personal feeling may be, the fact remains that all of these groups taken together make up our domestic market which consumes over 90 per cent of our total production.

Labor can purchase its maximum of farm products if each worker has a permanent job at good wages. The employer can pay good wages if he has something useful to manufacture and some one has the desire and the money to buy it. Jobs at good wages depend upon an employer who is making the money necessary to pay the wages.

Farm Prices Reflect Good Business.

This makes it plain that with employers and business busy in useful undertakings, with all workers employed at good wages, farm prices will be good and consumption at its maximum.

The key to the situation is that employers shall have the cash money at hand to change from war manufacture to peacetime activity with the least possible delay when this war ends.

Our United States Senate is searching for a plan that will produce maximum revenue to the government to insure victory; provide a fund at the end of the war big enough and quickly enough to convert business and industry from war work to peacetime necessity, but without the government having to borrow and lend the money for this purpose after the war is over.

Here is a Simple, Practical Plan.

For the solution of all these problems there is one simple plan of outstanding practical value, based on the idea that war profits from all companies, big and little, should be used for this purpose.

The tax rate on war profits is figured at about 90 per cent. Business and industry, big and little, would be permitted, however, to deduct from their taxable war profits 20 per cent of such profits, provided the deduction is used to purchase United States Recovery bonds.

Recovery bonds would be a special kind of bond for this purpose only. Recovery bonds could not be sold or borrowed upon during the war, and neither would they pay any interest. They must be held by the purchaser until the end of the war.

The day the war is over these bonds would automatically start to bear interest, could be bought and sold, and become the same as any other government bond. The purchaser could sell them or borrow upon them to obtain the money to change his business and plant from war production to peacetime production when and as he needed money to do this job.

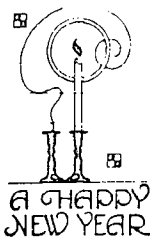
Profits for Peace-Time Recovery.

In other words, business, big or little, would be required to contribute 20 per cent of its own war profits to provide the money to change its own plants back to peacetime production.

The fairness and equity of such a plan is perfectly plain. Each company, by using 20 per cent of its own war profits to buy Recovery bonds, builds its own backing to bridge from war production to normal peacetime activities. Big companies and small companies will buy in proportion to their size and needs until the war is over. In the meantime, our government receives the maximum in revenue to produce for victory, and we, the people, have established security against the worst depression of all time.

To YOU we extend our
heartiest wishes for a Happy
and Prosperous New Year.

We assure you of our sincere appreciation of the cordial relations which have existed during the past year, and of our earnest efforts to render a service that will merit a continuance of your friendship and good will throughout the coming year.



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Enemy Watches
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Axis agents make patterns from patches of information gathered here and there. That is why this paper does not print details as to the location of our home-town boys in service across the seas. Copies of the Avalanche are mailed to many of our service men so they may keep in touch with affairs about town. If identities and locations of units are revealed, enemy intelligence experts can gauge the strength and disposition of our armed forces. Let us keep them in the dark. Their spies carefully scan all newspapers, no matter how remote from combat zones, looking for a tip-off. A simple address giving the name of a ship on which a boy is stationed would reveal his presence in the Atlantic or Pacific.

Our Navy wants the enemy—Nazis or Nips—to guess where and with what strength we will strike next. Do YOUR part and be cagey with details.

South Branch News

Mr. L. J. Dusenbury and Mr. Alban Dyer have returned to M. S. C. at East Lansing. They have been visiting their parents during the holidays.

Mr. Avery Babcock took the Maple Grove school children for a sleigh ride Christmas Eve. On returning they enjoyed a Christmas dinner, after which all the children received presents and a treat.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Schwelm of Milwaukee, Wis., and Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Schwelm of Pigeon spent Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Schwelm.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Starr and Charles Jr. were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Schwelm on Christmas.

All the members of the Ladies Aid and their husbands are invited to attend the annual Xmas party at the parsonage next Saturday evening.

Mr. Charles Starr left Sunday for Bay City where he will receive medical treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Blumenschein and family are moving to Pontiac where Mr. Blumenschein has work in a Defense Plant.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Scott left Thursday to spend the holidays with relatives in Detroit.

Frederic News

Mr. and Mrs. Ace Long and son Teddy spent Xmas with the former's mother Mrs. Lizzie Sanford in Columbiaville.

Mrs. Elijah Flagg spent the Christmas holidays in Detroit visiting.

Paul Jungman has received word his son Hans has arrived safely over there.

Alfred Armstrong, Sr. who has been home sick, has returned to Detroit to work. He is a street car motorman.

Elroy Barber of Toledo, O. was home with his family for Xmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Downer of Detroit spent Christmas with the latter's parents Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Barber.

A few friends of Mr. Walter Eaton dropped in Wednesday night to help him celebrate his birthday. Pedro was played and a pot luck lunch was served. Congratulations Walter.

Roy Wells, while building a fire in his stove, from some unknown origin got badly burned. He was taken to Mercy Hospital Sunday with second degree burns about the face and chest.

Albert Nelson fell and was taken to the hospital with injuries to his back and ribs.

Don't forget Jan. 9th is the date of the big Red Cross dance at the school gym. 5 Stardusters of Grayling will furnish the music. Plenty of eats. Defense Bond raffle at midnight. Tickets 25 cents.



CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our friends for their kind acts and sympathy in our recent bereavement.

Ted Ferguson,
Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Hummel.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Hummel.

Church News

MICHELSON MEMORIAL CHURCH

Sunday Services

10:00 A. M.—Bible School.

11:00 A. M.—Public worship.

Young People's meeting at 6:30.

Join us in these helpful meetings.

Public is invited.

H. W. Kuhlman, Pastor.

SOUTH SIDE BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL

The South Side Baptist Sunday school meets every Sunday morning from 10 to 11 o'clock.

Sermon—11:00 a. m.

Evening Service—7:30 p. m.

Weekly Meetings—Prayer Service, Friday—7:30 p. m.

Everyone welcome.

Alva Calkins, Pastor.

CALVARY CHURCH

The Book—2 Tim 3:16

The Blood Heb. 9:22

That Blessed Hope, Titus 2:13

New Location—Grange Hall

Sunday Services

10:00 A. M.—Sunday School.

6:45 P. M.—Young people.

7:30 P. M.—Preaching.

Midweek Services

Thursday—7:30 P. M.—Prayer and Every body's Bible Class.

You are welcome.

Pastor, F. D. Barnes.

FREDERIC BIBLE CHURCH

Services at Frederic

10:30 a. m.—Sunday School.

8:00 p. m.—Evening Service.

Bible Study every Wednesday at 8 p. m.

Church Services

12:00 o'clock at Lovells school house.

Rev. Chas. Opitz, Pastor.

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